SI.No.	Cellular Group	No. of Subscribers as on 30.6.2003
7.	Escotel	5,99,742
8.	Reliance Group	5,75,591
9.	MTNL	2,90,841
10.	Others-Aircel	2,50.847
11.	Aircel Digilink	1,94,016
12.	Hexacom	1,54,649
13.	RPG	1.79,639
		1,51,34,885

BSNL's free run in GSM and WLL

3023. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has been given a free run in the GSM and WLL space and has been allowed to offer services like free national roaming to its customers;

(b) if so, the reasons for cash bail out package being considered by Government for BSNL;

(c) whether this package would allow BSNL to alter its cost structures by writing off both historical and present operational costs; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN): (a) No, Sir. Tariffs of BSNL as for other telecom operators are subject to reporting requirements as per the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India—TRAI's Telecom Tariff Order 1999, as amended from time to time. Cellular subscribers of BSNL can avail National Roaming facility only upon payment of additional amount. As regards WLL (Mobile), BSNL does not provide roaming outside the concerned Short Distance Charging Area (SDCA), in accordance with the licencing conditions.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above.